Landforms:

-World’s 3rd largest country by area.

- A country topography ranging from the highest point in the world (290208-feet summit) of Mt. Everest to one of the lowest part of the Turban Depression

-Deserts are Turban Depression: below sea level

- 1/3 of the country is hilly or mountainous

2/3 of the plane can be divided into 3 regions:

1. Eastern Plane: fertile & low land
   1. Yellow River going out to the sea
   2. Yangtze River flows to the southern Sichuan Basin.
2. Northwestern Plane
   1. Low deserts surrounded by high Gobi desert
   2. Gobi desert: extends from this region eastward toward lower Manchuria
3. Southwestern Plane
   1. Jutting mountains and high upland areas
   2. Tibet Plateau occupies ¼ of the country’s surface area
   3. This part of China is also called, “ the roof of the world”

Climate:

* Precipitation: generally decrease from South to North
* China has 7 climate zones: subarctic ~ tropical
  + Covers entire span from arid desert to lush bamboo forests

Natural Resources:

* The top three producers of the energy in the world
  + Gold is also largely produced in Shandong Province, a coastal region in the east
  + Lead and zinc are mined in Mongolia while manganese is found in Guangxi, Guizhou, and Hunan
* Phosphate rocks are also heavily produced in Guinzhou, Hubei, Yunman and Sichuan.
* Shaanxi and Shanxi located up north possesses 60% of all natural resources.
* China was the second-largest producer of hydroelectricity. (2004)
* Due to the geological diversity; the natural resources are spread out in the entire nation.

Agriculture:

* Invests a lot of effort to be self-sufficient of food and export.
* Only 10% of the land is arable
* The location of China makes them easier to trade goods.
* China still has many farmers using the traditional method to farm
* From fishing, Chinese earn $30 billion a year.
  + Major rivers from fishing: Yangtze River and Zhu Jiang region

Environment:

* Biggest polluter/ threatens the world’s environment in a few decades
* China affects other countries with their environment, like Korea with the yellow dust (includes toxic pollutants)

Facts:

1. 3rd largest country in the world
2. Has 1,38,612,968 people in the country
   1. That is 1/5th of the world’s population
3. Standard language is Mandarin, and some minor languages
4. Has 482 airports, and only one of them is international
5. Only 14 doctors per 10,000 people